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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

PATRICIA BURNELLE, MIKO SAKAI, and JUDY KISLING on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

SAGE HOME LOANS CORPORATION f/k/a LENOX FINANCIAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION d/b/a WESLEND FINANCIAL,

Defendant.

AMENDED SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT AND RELEASES

Case No. 0:24-cv-00972-MGL

This Amended Settlement Agreement ("Settlement" or "Agreement")¹ is entered into between Plaintiffs Patricia Burnelle, Miko Sakai, and Judy Kisling on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class, and Defendant, Sage Home Loans Corporation f/k/a Lenox Financial Mortgage Corporation d/b/a/ Weslend Financial ("Defendant" or "SHLC"), as of the date last signed below. The Parties hereby agree to the following terms in full settlement of the Action (defined below), subject to a Final Approval Order entered by the Court.

I. <u>Procedural History</u>

1. SHLC is a South Carolina-based mortgage company that services customers across the United States. In operating its business, SHLC collects, maintains, and stores personal information pertaining to its customers, including, but not limited to, full names, addresses, Social

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¹ All capitalized terms herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in Section II below or as defined elsewhere in the Agreement.

Security numbers, driver's license numbers, loan numbers, and financial information.

- 2. On or about December 19, 2023, SHLC noticed suspicious activity on its network. In response, SHLC launched an investigation that revealed that an unauthorized actor accessed individuals' personal information ("PI") (the "Data Incident"). At the time of the Data Incident, SHLC had approximately 135,000 customers who had provided personal information to SHLC while obtaining a mortgage.
- 3. SHLC and its customers thereafter notified, in accordance with various state data breach notification rules, approximately 29,004 individuals that their PI may have been impacted by the Data Incident. The approximately 29,004 individuals consisted of approximately 28,018 customers and 986 current and former employees and beneficiaries.
- 4. As a result, on February 26, 2024, Plaintiff Patricia Burnell filed a Class Action Complaint (the "Complaint") against SHLC, asserting causes of action for: (1) negligence; (2) negligence *per se*; (3) breach of implied contract; and (4) unjust enrichment, and seeking to represent a nationwide class of aggrieved individuals. [DE #1].
- 5. SHLC was subsequently named as a defendant in two putative class actions filed in the Central District of California² and one putative class action filed in California Superior Court, Orange County³ (the "Related Actions") that are materially and substantively identical, as they have overlapping claims, seek to represent the same putative class members, and arise out of the same Data Incident. SHLC, at all times, disputes the allegations in this Action and the Related Actions.

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² Kisling v. Sage Home Loans Corp., Case No. 8:24-cv-01167 (filed on May 31, 2024); Sakai v. Sage Home Loans Corp., Case No. 8:24-cv-00492 (filed on March 3, 2024). Sakai has been voluntarily dismissed without prejudice.

³ Randles v. Sage Home Loans Corp., OCSC Case No. 2024-01390406 (filed on March 27, 2024).

- 6. Shortly thereafter, the Parties began discussing settlement and reached agreement on the materials terms of the settlement on June 6, 2024. Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, Plaintiffs will file their consolidated class action complaint.
- 7. The Parties are executing this Amended Settlement Agreement to update and clarify the Settlement Class size.
- The Parties now agree to collectively settle the Action and the Related Actions 8. entirely, without any admission of liability or wrongdoing, with respect to all Released Claims (defined below) of the Releasing Parties (defined below). SHLC has entered into this Agreement to resolve all controversies and disputes arising out of or relating to the allegations made in the Complaint and Related Actions and to avoid the litigation costs and expenses, distractions, burden, expense, and disruption to its business operations associated with further litigation. SHLC does not in any way acknowledge, admit to, or concede any of the allegations made in the Complaint (and similarly does not concede any of the allegations in the other complaints in the Related Actions), and expressly disclaims and denies any fault or liability, or any charges of wrongdoing that have been or could have been asserted in the Complaint. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be used or construed as an admission of liability, and this Agreement shall not be offered or received in evidence in any action or proceeding in any court or other forum as an admission or concession of liability or wrongdoing of any nature or for any other purpose other than to enforce the terms of this Agreement. Plaintiffs have entered into this Agreement to recover on the claims asserted in the Complaint, and to avoid the risk, delay, and uncertainty of continued litigation. Plaintiffs do not in any way concede that the claims alleged in the Complaint lack merit or are subject to any defenses. The Parties intend this Agreement to bind Plaintiffs, SHLC, and all Settlement Class Members (defined below).

NOW, THEREFORE, in light of the foregoing, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby mutually acknowledged, the Parties agree, subject to approval by the Court, as follows.

II. <u>Definitions</u>

- 8. "Action" means the class action lawsuit entitled: *Burnell et al. v. Sage Home Loans Corp.*, Case No. 0:24-cv-00972 (D.S.C.).
- 9. "Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards" means the application made with the Motion for Final Approval seeking Class Counsel's attorneys' fees, reimbursement for costs, and for Service Awards for the Class Representatives.
- 10. "CAFA Notice" means the Class Action Fairness Act Notice which the Settlement Administrator shall serve upon the appropriate state and federal officials, providing notice of the proposed Settlement. The Settlement Administrator shall provide a declaration attesting to compliance with 28 U.S.C. § 1715(b), which will be filed with the Motion for Final Approval.
- 11. "Cash Payment" means compensation paid to Settlement Class Members who submit a Valid Claim.
 - 12. "Claim" means the submission of a Claim Form by a Claimant.
- 13. "Claim Form" means the proof of claim, substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit 4*, which may be modified, subject to the Parties' approval, to meet the requirements of the Settlement Administrator.
- 14. "Claim Form Deadline" shall be 90 days from the date that Notice is first disseminated to the Settlement Class and is the last day by which a Claim Form may be submitted to the Settlement Administrator for a Settlement Class member to be eligible for a Cash Payment.
 - 15. "Claimant" means a Settlement Class member who submits a Claim Form.

- 16. "Class Counsel" means: Gary Klinger and David Lietz of Milberg Coleman Bryson Phillips Grossman PLLC.
- 17. "Class List" means a list of Settlement Class members. SHLC shall prepare and provide the Class List to the Settlement Administrator for Notice using information in SHLC's records. The Class List shall include the Settlement Class members' names, postal address (if available from Data Incident notice materials) and email address (if available from Data Incident notice materials).
 - 18. "Class Representatives" means Patricia Burnelle, Miko Sakai, and Judy Kisling.
- 19. "Complaint" means the Amended Complaint filed by Plaintiffs Patricia Burnelle, Miko Sakai, and Judy Kisling.
- 20. "Court" means the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina and the Judge(s) assigned to the Action.
- 21. "**Data Incident**" means the unauthorized access to or acquisition of the Personal Identifying Information on or about December 19, 2023.
- 22. "**Defendant**" means Sage Home Loans Corporation f/k/a Lenox Financial Mortgage Corporation d/b/a/ Weslend Financial.
- 23. "Defendant's Counsel" or "SHLC's Counsel" means Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP.
- 24. "Effective Date" means the day after the entry of the Final Approval Order, provided no objections are made to the Settlement. If there are objections to the Settlement, then the Effective Date shall be the later of: (a) 30 days after entry of the Final Approval Order if no appeals are taken from the Final Approval Order; or (b) if appeals are taken from the Final Approval Order, then the earlier of 30 days after the last appellate court ruling affirming the Final

Approval Order or 30 days after the entry of a dismissal of the appeal.

- 25. "Email Notice" means the email form of Notice of the Settlement, substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit 1*, distributed to Settlement Class members for which email addresses are provided by SHLC.
- 26. "Escrow Account" means the interest-bearing account to be established by the Settlement Administrator consistent with the terms and conditions described herein.
- 27. "Final Approval" means the final approval of the Settlement, which occurs when the Court enters the Final Approval Order, substantially in the form attached to the Motion for Final Approval.
- 28. "Final Approval Hearing" means the hearing held before the Court during which the Court will consider granting Final Approval of the Settlement and the Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards.
- 29. "Final Approval Order" means the final order the Court enters granting Final Approval of the Settlement. The proposed Final Approval Order shall be in a form agreed upon by the Parties and shall be substantially in the form attached as an exhibit to the Motion for Final Approval. Final Approval Order also includes the orders, which may be entered separately, determining the amount of attorneys' fees and costs awarded to Class Counsel and the amount of any Service Awards to the Class Representatives.
- 30. "**Long Form Notice**" means the long form notice of the Settlement, substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit 3*, that shall be posted on the Settlement Website and shall be available to Settlement Class members by mail on request made to the Settlement Administrator.
- 31. "**Motion for Final Approval**" means the motion that Plaintiffs and Class Counsel shall file with the Court seeking Final Approval of the Settlement.

- 32. "**Motion for Preliminary Approval**" means the motion that Plaintiffs shall file with the Court seeking Preliminary Approval of the Settlement.
- 33. "Net Settlement Fund" means the amount of the Settlement Fund following payment of: (1) Service Awards to Class Representatives awarded by the Court, (2) attorneys' fees and costs awarded by the Court to Class Counsel, and (3) all Settlement Administration Costs.
- 34. "**Notice**" means the Email Notice, Postcard Notice, Long Form Notice, and Publication Notice that Plaintiffs will ask the Court to approve in connection with the Motion for Preliminary Approval.
- 35. "Notice Program" means the methods provided for in this Agreement for giving Notice to the Settlement Class and consists of the Email Notice, Postcard Notice, and Long Form Notice.
- 36. "Notice of Deficiency" means the notice sent by the Settlement Administrator to a Settlement Class member who has submitted an invalid Claim.
- 37. "**Objection Period**" means the period that begins the day after the earliest day on which the Notice is first distributed, and that ends no later than 30 days before the Final Approval Hearing.
- 38. "Opt-Out Period" means the period that begins the day after the earliest day on which the Notice is first distributed, and that ends no later than 30 days before the Final Approval Hearing.
- 39. "Party" means each of the Plaintiffs and Defendant, and "Parties" means Plaintiffs and Defendant collectively.
- 40. "**Personal Information**" or "**PI**" means information collected by SHLC, directly or indirectly, pertaining to its customers, including, but not limited to, full names, addresses, Social

Security numbers, driver's license numbers, loan numbers, and financial information.

- 41. "Plaintiffs" means Patricia Burnelle, Miko Sakai, and Judy Kisling.
- 42. "SHLC" means Defendant Sage Home Loans Corporation f/k/a Lenox Financial Mortgage Corporation d/b/a/ Weslend Financial.
- 43. "**Postcard Notice**" means the postcard notice of the Settlement, substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit 2* that the Settlement Administrator shall disseminate to Settlement Class members by mail.
- 44. "Pre-Approval Settlement Administration Costs" means Settlement Administration Costs incurred before Final Approval.
- 45. "Preliminary Approval" means the preliminary approval of the Settlement, which occurs when the Court enters the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form attached to the Motion for Preliminary Approval.
- 46. "**Preliminary Approval Order**" means the order preliminarily approving the Settlement and proposed Notice Program, substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit 5*.
- 47. "Related Actions" means the two putative class actions filed in the Central District of California and one putative class action filed in California Superior Court for Orange County against SHLC regarding the Data Incident, identified in Paragraph 5 of this Agreement. Although a fourth action, captioned *Sakai v. Sage Home Loans Corp f/ka/ Lenox Financial Mortgage Corp.* d/b/a Weslend Financial, No. 8:24-cv-00492 (C.D. Cal.) was filed, it has been voluntarily dismissed and Ms. Sakai has been added as a named Plaintiff in this action along with Judy Kisling.
- 48. "Releases" means the releases and waiver set forth in Section XIII of this Agreement.
 - 49. "Released Claims" means any and all actual, potential, filed or unfiled, known or

unknown, fixed or contingent, claimed or unclaimed, suspected or unsuspected claims, demands, liabilities, rights, causes of action, damages, punitive, exemplary or multiplied damages, expenses, costs, indemnities, attorneys' fees or obligations, whether in law or in equity, accrued or unaccrued, direct, individual or representative, of every nature and description whatsoever, based on any federal, state, local, statutory or common law or any other law, against the Released Parties, or any of them, arising out of or relating to actual or alleged facts, transactions, events, matters, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, representations, omissions or failures to act relating to the Data Incident.

- 50. "Released Parties" means SHLC and each entity which is controlled by, controlling or under common control with SHLC, and its past, present, and future direct and indirect heirs, assigns, associates, corporations, investors, owners, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, officers, directors, shareholders, members, agents, servants, employees, partners, attorneys, insurers, reinsurers, benefit plans, predecessors, successors, managers, administrators, executors, and trustees.
- 51. "Releasing Parties" means Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Members and their respective past, present, and future heirs, devisees, beneficiaries, conservators, executors, estates, administrators, assigns, trustees, receivers, agents, attorneys, accountants, financial and other advisors, and any other representatives of any of these persons and entities.
- 52. "Service Award" means the payment the Court may award Plaintiffs for serving as Class Representatives, which is in addition to any Settlement Class Member Benefit due to Plaintiffs as a Settlement Class Member. The Service Awards shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund.
 - 53. "Settlement Administrator" or "Kroll" means the third-party notice and claims

administrator, Kroll Settlement Administration, LLC.

- 54. "Settlement Administration Costs" means all costs and fees of the Settlement Administrator regarding Notice and settlement administration.
- 55. "Settlement Class" means all living individuals residing in the United States whose Personal Information may have been impacted in the Data Incident. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (a) all persons who are directors, officers, and agents of SHLC; (b) governmental entities; and (c) the Judge assigned to the Action, that Judge's immediate family, and Court staff. The Settlement Class comprises 133,987 individuals for whom SHLC had Personal Information at the time of the Data Incident.
- 56. "Settlement Class Member" means any member of the Settlement Class who has not opted-out of the Settlement.
- 57. "Settlement Class Member Benefit" means the Cash Payment Settlement Class Members are entitled to upon submission of a Valid Claim.
- 58. "Settlement Fund" means the non-reversionary US \$925,000.00 in cash fund that SHLC is obligated to fund under the terms of the Settlement.
- 59. "Settlement Website" means the website the Settlement Administrator will establish as a means for the Settlement Class members to submit Claim Forms and obtain notice and information about the Settlement, including hyperlinked access to this Agreement, the Preliminary Approval Order, Long Form Notice, Claim Form, Motion for Final Approval, Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards, and Final Approval Order, as well as other documents as the Parties agree to post or the Court orders posted. The Settlement Website shall remain online and operable for at least six months after Final Approval.
 - 60. "Valid Claim" means a Claim Form submitted by a Settlement Class member that

is: (a) submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Settlement; (b) accurately, fully, and truthfully completed and executed, with all of the information requested in the Claim Form, by a Settlement Class Member; (c) signed physically or by e-signature by a Settlement Class Member personally, subject to the penalty of perjury; (d) returned via mail and postmarked by the Claim Form Deadline, or, if submitted online, submitted by 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on the Claim Form Deadline; and (e) determined to be valid by the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator may require additional information from the Claimant to validate the Claim, including, but not limited to, answers related to questions regarding the validity or legitimacy of the physical or e-signature. Failure to respond to the Settlement Administrator's Notice of Deficiency may result in a determination that the Claim is not a Valid Claim.

III. Settlement Fund

- 61. At least 14 days before commencement of the Notice Program, SHLC shall pay to the Settlement Administrator a sum portion of the Pre-Approval Settlement Administration Costs to be agreed upon by the Settlement Administrator, SHLC, and Class Counsel, which shall be sufficient to effectuate notice to the Settlement Class members.
- 62. Following entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, SHLC shall pay all subsequent amounts for Pre-Approval Settlement Administration Costs within 30 days of when such amounts are invoiced to SHLC along with wire instructions and other required documentation and become due and owing. SHLC is not required to advance costs for claims validation or other claims processing related costs until such time such costs are actually incurred. Except that any Settlement Administration Costs incurred after the Effective Date will be paid to the Settlement Administrator from the Settlement Fund following its funding.
 - 63. Within 30 days of the Effective Date, SHLC shall deposit, or cause to be deposited,

with the Settlement Administrator in an Escrow Account the Settlement Fund minus any Settlement Administration Costs previously paid by SHLC.

64. The funds in the Escrow Account shall be deemed a "qualified settlement fund" within the meaning of United States Treasury Reg. § 1.468B-l at all times since creation of the Escrow Account. All taxes (including any estimated taxes, and any interest or penalties relating to them) arising with respect to the income earned by the Escrow Account or otherwise, including any taxes or tax detriments that may be imposed on SHLC, SHLC's Counsel, Plaintiffs, or Class Counsel with respect to income earned by the Escrow Account, for any period during which the Escrow Account does not qualify as a "qualified settlement fund" for the purpose of federal or state income taxes or otherwise, shall be paid out of the Escrow Account. SHLC, SHLC's Counsel, Plaintiffs, and Class Counsel shall have no liability or responsibility for any of the taxes. The Escrow Account shall indemnify and hold SHLC, SHLC's Counsel, Plaintiffs, and Class Counsel harmless for all taxes (including, without limitation, taxes payable by reason of any such indemnification).

IV. <u>Certification of the Settlement Class</u>

65. In the Motion for Preliminary Approval, Plaintiffs shall propose and request to the Court that the Settlement Class be certified for Settlement purposes. SHLC agrees solely for purposes of the Settlement provided for in this Agreement, and the implementation of such Settlement, that this case shall proceed as a class action; provided however, that if a Final Approval Order is not issued, then any certification shall be null and void and, for the avoidance of doubt, SHLC shall retain all rights to object to any future requests to certify a class. Plaintiffs and Class Counsel shall not reference this Agreement in support of any subsequent motion for class certification of any class in the Action.

V. <u>Settlement Consideration</u>

66. Settlement Class Member Benefits

When submitting a Valid Claim, Settlement Class Members will be entitled to a Cash Payment. Settlement Class Cash Payments will be subject to a *pro rata* increase from the Net Settlement Fund in the event the amount of Valid Claims is insufficient to exhaust the entire Net Settlement Fund. Similarly, in the event the amount of Valid Claims exhausts the amount of the Net Settlement Fund, the amount of the Cash Payments may be reduced *pro rata* accordingly. Any *pro rata* increases or decreases to Cash Payments will be on an equal percentage basis. If a Settlement Class Member does not submit a Valid Claim, the Settlement Class Member will release his or her claims against the Released Parties without receiving a Settlement Class Member Benefit.

67. Cash Payment

a. <u>Compensation for Ordinary Losses</u>: Compensation for unreimbursed ordinary losses fairly traceable to the Data Incident, may be up to a total of \$1,500.00 per person. Settlement Class Members must submit documentation supporting their Claims for ordinary losses. This documentation may include receipts or other documentation not "self-prepared" by the claimant that documents the costs incurred. "Self-prepared" documents such as handwritten receipts are, by themselves, insufficient to receive reimbursement, but can be considered to add clarity or support other submitted documentation. Settlement Class Members shall not be reimbursed for expenses if they have been reimbursed for the same expenses by another source, including compensation provided in connection with the credit monitoring and identity theft protection product offered as part of the notification letter provided by PHL. These ordinary losses may include the following:

- i. *Out of pocket expenses incurred* as a result of the Data Incident, including bank fees, long distance phone charges, cell phone charges (only if charged by the minute), data charges (only if charged based on the amount of data used), postage, or gasoline for local travel; and
- ii. Fees for credit reports, credit monitoring, or other identity theft insurance product purchased between November 15, 2023, and the date of the Claim Form Deadline.
- b. <u>Compensation for Lost Time</u>: Settlement Class Members with time spent remedying issues related to the Data Incident may receive reimbursement of \$25.00 per hour up to five hours (for a total of \$125.00) with an attestation including a brief description of the action(s) take in response to the Data Incident.
- c. **Alternate Compensation**: Instead of selecting Compensation for Ordinary Losses or Compensation for Lost Time, a Settlement Class Member may elect to receive a flat payment in the amount of \$50.00.

68. **Injunctive Relief**

SHLC provided Class Counsel with a "Security Attestation" attesting to the security measures it is implementing following the Data Incident. SHLC confirms that all of these security measures have been implemented. The costs of any such security measures on the part of SHLC shall be fully borne by SHLC, and under no circumstances will such costs be deducted from the Settlement Fund.

VI. Settlement Approval

69. Within 10 days following execution of this Agreement by all Parties and Class Counsel, Class Counsel shall file a Motion for Preliminary Approval. The proposed Preliminary

Approval Order shall be attached to the motion as an exhibit and shall be in a form agreed to by Class Counsel and SHLC.

70. The Motion for Preliminary Approval shall, among other things, request the Court: (1) preliminarily approve the terms of the Settlement as being within the range of fair, adequate, and reasonable; (2) provisionally certify the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only; (3) approve the Notice Program set forth herein and approve the form and content of the Notices of the Settlement; (4) approve the Claim Form and Claim submission process; (5) approve the procedures for Settlement Class members to opt-out of the Settlement or for Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement; (6) appoint Gary Klinger and David Lietz of Milberg Coleman Bryson Phillips Grossman PLLC as Class Counsel for Settlement purposes; (7) stay the Action pending Final Approval of the Settlement; and (8) schedule a Final Approval Hearing for a time and date mutually convenient for the Court, the Parties, Class Counsel, and SHLC's Counsel.

VII. Settlement Administrator

- 71. The Parties agree that, subject to Court approval, Kroll shall be the Settlement Administrator. The Parties shall jointly oversee the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator shall fulfill the requirements set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order and the Agreement and comply with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution.
- 72. The Settlement Administrator shall administer various aspects of the Settlement as described in the next paragraph and perform such other functions as are specified for the Settlement Administrator elsewhere in this Agreement, including, but not limited to, effectuating the Notice Program, handling the Claims process, administering the Settlement Fund, and distributing the Cash Payments to Settlement Class Members who submit Valid Claims.

- 73. The Settlement Administrator's duties include:
 - a. Providing CAFA Notice;
- b. Completing the Court-approved Notice Program by noticing the Settlement Class by Postcard Notice and, where email addresses are provided by SHLC, sending the Postcard Notice in electronic form via email, sending out Long Form Notices and paper Claim Forms on request from Settlement Class members, reviewing Claim Forms, notifying Claimants of deficient Claim Forms using the Notice of Deficiency, and sending Settlement Class Member Benefits to Settlement Class Members who submit a Valid Claim;
- c. Establishing and maintaining the Settlement Fund the Escrow Account approved by the Parties;
- d. Establishing and maintaining a post office box to receive opt-out requests from the Settlement Class, objections from Settlement Class members, and Claim Forms;
- e. Establishing and maintaining the Settlement Website to provide important information and to receive electronic Claim Forms;
- f. Establishing and maintaining an automated toll-free telephone line for Settlement Class members to call with Settlement-related inquiries, and answer the frequently asked questions of Settlement Class members who call with or otherwise communicate such inquiries;
 - g. Responding to any mailed Settlement Class member inquiries;
 - h. Processing all opt-out requests from the Settlement Class;
- i. Providing weekly reports to Class Counsel and SHLC's Counsel that summarize the number of Claims submitted, Claims approved and rejected, Notice of Deficiency sent, opt-out requests and objections received that week, the total number of opt-out requests and

objections received to date, and other pertinent information;

- j. In advance of the Final Approval Hearing, preparing a declaration to submit to the Court confirming that the Notice Program was completed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Preliminary Approval Order, describing how the Notice Program was completed, indicating the number of Claim Forms received, providing the names of each Settlement Class member who timely and properly requested to opt-out from the Settlement Class, indicating the number of objections received, and other information as may be necessary to allow the Parties to seek and obtain Final Approval;
- k. Distributing, out of the Settlement Fund, Cash Payments by electronic means;
- 1. Paying Court-approved attorneys' fees and costs and Service Awards out of the Settlement Fund;
- m. Paying Settlement Administration Costs out of the Settlement Fund following approval by Class Counsel; and
- n. Any other Settlement administration function at the instruction of Class Counsel and SHLC, including, but not limited to, verifying that the Settlement Fund has been properly administered and that the Cash Payments have been properly distributed.

VIII. Notice to the Settlement Class, Opt-Out Procedures, and Objection Procedures

- 74. SHLC will make available to Class Counsel and the Settlement Administrator the Class List no later than five (5) days after entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. To the extent necessary, SHLC will cooperate with updating the Class List to accomplish the Notice Program and otherwise administer the Settlement.
 - 75. Within 45 days following entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, the Settlement

Administrator shall commence the Notice Program provided herein, using the forms of Notice approved by the Court. Where email addresses are provided by SHLC for Settlement Class members, Email Notice shall be sent by email. Settlement Class members for which email addresses are not provided, or emails were undelivered (and a postal address is provided by SHLC), shall receive a Postcard Notice by mail.

- 76. The Email Notice and Postcard Notice shall include, among other information: a description of the material terms of the Settlement; how to submit a Claim Form; the Claim Form Deadline; the last day of the Opt-Out Period for Settlement Class members to opt-out of the Settlement Class; the last day of the Objection Period for Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement and/or Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards; the Final Approval Hearing date; and the Settlement Website address at which Settlement Class members may access this Agreement and other related documents and information. Class Counsel and SHLC's Counsel shall insert the correct dates and deadlines in the Notice before the Notice Program commences, based upon those dates and deadlines set by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order. If the date or time for the Final Approval Hearing changes, the Settlement Administrator shall update the Settlement Website to reflect the new date. No additional notice to the Settlement Class is required if the date or time for the Final Approval Hearing changes.
- 77. The Settlement Administrator shall establish the Settlement Website no later than the day before Notice is first initiated. The Settlement Administrator shall ensure the Settlement Website makes available the Court-approved online Claim Form that can be submitted directly on the Settlement Website or in printable version that can be sent by U.S. Mail to the Settlement Administrator.
 - 78. The Long Form Notice also shall include a procedure for Settlement Class members

to opt-out of the Settlement Class, and the Postcard Notice shall direct Settlement Class members to review the Long Form Notice to obtain the opt-out instructions. A Settlement Class member may opt-out of the Settlement Class at any time during the Opt-Out Period by mailing a request to opt-out to the Settlement Administrator postmarked no later than the last day of the Opt-Out Period. The opt-out request must be personally signed by the Settlement Class member and contain the requestor's name, address, telephone number, and email address (if any), and include a statement indicating a request to be excluded from the Settlement Class. Any Settlement Class Member who does not timely and validly request to opt-out shall be bound by the terms of this Agreement even if that Settlement Class Member does not submit a Valid Claim.

- 79. The Long Form Notice also shall include a procedure for Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards, and the Postcard Notice and Email Notice shall direct Settlement Class members to review the Long Form Notice to obtain the objection instructions. Objections must be filed with the Court, and sent by U.S. Mail to Class Counsel, Defendant's Counsel, and the Settlement Administrator. For an objection to be considered by the Court, the relevant Settlement Class Member must submit the objection no later than the last day of the Objection Period, as specified in the Notice, and the relevant Settlement Class Member must not have excluded herself from the Settlement Class. If submitted by mail, an objection shall be deemed to have been submitted when posted if received with a postmark date indicated on the envelope if mailed first-class postage prepaid and addressed in accordance with the instructions. If submitted by private courier (e.g., Federal Express), an objection shall be deemed to have been submitted on the shipping date reflected on the shipping label.
 - 80. For an objection to be considered by the Court, the objection must also set forth:

- a. the objector's full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address (if any);
- b. all grounds for the objection, accompanied by any legal support for the objection known to the objector or objector's counsel;
- c. the number of times the objector has objected to a class action settlement within the five (5) years preceding the date that the objector files the objection, the caption of each case in which the objector has made such objection, and a copy of any orders related to or ruling upon the objector's prior objections that were issued by the trial and appellate courts in each listed case;
- d. the identity of all counsel who represent the objector, including any former or current counsel who may be entitled to compensation for any reason related to the objection to the Settlement or Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards;
- e. the number of times in which the objector's counsel and/or counsel's law firm have objected to a class action settlement within the five (5) years preceding the date of the filed objection, the caption of each case in which counsel or the firm has made such objection and a copy of any orders related to or ruling upon counsel's or the counsel's law firm's prior objections that were issued by the trial and appellate courts in each listed case in which the objector's counsel or counsel's law firm have objected to a class action settlement within the preceding 5 years;
- f. the identity of all counsel (if any) representing the objector, and whether they will appear at the Final Approval Hearing;
- g. a list of all persons who will be called to testify at the Final Approval Hearing in support of the objection (if any);
 - h. a statement confirming whether the objector intends to personally appear

and/or testify at the Final Approval Hearing; and

- i. the objector's signature (an attorney's signature is not sufficient).
 Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel may conduct limited discovery on any objector or objector's counsel.
- Notices that are returned as undeliverable. By way of example, a reasonable tracing procedure would be to run addresses of returned postcards through the Lexis/Nexis database that can be utilized for such purpose. No later than 60 days before the original date set for the Final Approval Hearing, the Settlement Administrator shall complete the re-mailing of Postcard Notice to those Settlement Class members whose new addresses were identified as of that time through address traces.
- 82. The Notice Program shall be completed no later than 60 days before the original date set for the Final Approval Hearing.

IX. Claim Form Process and Disbursement of Cash Payments

- 83. The Notice and the Settlement Website will explain to Settlement Class members that they may be entitled to a Settlement Class Member Benefit and how to submit a Claim Form.
- 84. Claim Forms may be submitted online through the Settlement Website or through U.S. Mail by sending them to the Settlement Administrator at the address designated on the Claim Form.
- 85. The Settlement Administrator shall collect, review, and address each Claim Form received to determine whether the Claim Form meets the requirements set forth in this Settlement and is thus a Valid Claim. The Settlement Administrator shall examine the Claim Form before designating the Claim as a Valid Claim to determine that the information on the Claim Form is

reasonably complete. The Settlement Administrator shall have the sole authority to determine whether a Claim by any Claimant is a Valid Claim.

- 86. The Settlement Administrator shall use all reasonable efforts and means to identify and reject duplicate claims. No Settlement Class member may submit more than one Claim Form. The Settlement Administrator shall identify any Claim Forms that appear to seek relief on behalf of the same Settlement Class member. If the Settlement Administrator identifies any Claim Form that appears to be a duplication, the Settlement Administrator shall contact the Settlement Class member in an effort to determine which Claim Form is the appropriate one for consideration.
- 87. The Settlement Administrator shall exercise, in its discretion, all usual and customary steps to prevent fraud and abuse and take any reasonable steps to prevent fraud and abuse in the Claim process. The Settlement Administrator may, in its discretion, deny in whole or in part any Claim Form to prevent actual or possible fraud or abuse. By agreement, the Parties can instruct the Settlement Administrator to take whatever steps it deems appropriate if the Settlement Administrator identifies actual or possible fraud or abuse relating to the submission of claims, including, but not limited to, denying in whole or in part any Claim to prevent actual or possible fraud or abuse. If any fraud is detected or reasonably suspected, the Settlement Administrator and Parties may require information from Claimants or deny Claims, subject to the supervision of the Parties and ultimate oversight by the Court.
- 88. Claim Forms that do not meet the terms and conditions of this Settlement shall be promptly rejected by the Settlement Administrator and the Settlement Administrator shall advise the Claimant or Settlement Class member of the reason(s) why the Claim Form was rejected. However, if the Claim Form is rejected for containing incomplete or inaccurate information, and/or omitting required information, the Settlement Administrator may send a Notice of Deficiency

explaining what information is missing or inaccurate and needed to validate the Claim and have it submitted for consideration. The Settlement Administrator shall notify the Claimant using the contact information provided in the Claim Form. The additional information and/or documentation can include, for example, answers to questions regarding the validity of the Claimant's physical or e-signature. A Claimant shall have until the Claim Form Deadline, or 15 days from the date the Notice of Deficiency is sent to the Claimant via mail and postmarked or via email, whichever is later, to reply to the Notice of Deficiency and provide the required information. If the Claimant timely and adequately provides the requested information or documentation, the Claim shall be deemed a Valid Claim and processed by the Settlement Administrator. If the Claimant does not timely and completely provide the requested information or documentation, the Settlement Administrator shall reduce or deny the Claim unless SHLC and Class Counsel otherwise agree.

- 89. Where a good faith basis exists, the Settlement Administrator may reduce or reject a Claim for, among other reasons, the following:
 - a. Failure to fully complete or sign the Claim Form;
 - b. Illegible Claim Form;
 - c. The Claim Form is fraudulent;
 - d. The Claim Form is duplicative of another Claim Form;
 - e. The Claimant is not a Settlement Class member;
- f. The Claimant submitted a timely and valid request to opt out of the Settlement Class.
- g. The person submitting the Claim Form requests that payment be made to a person or entity other than the Claimant for whom the Claim Form is submitted;
 - h. Failure to submit a Claim Form by the Claim Form Deadline; and/or

- i. The Claim Form otherwise does not comply with the requirements of this
 Settlement.
- 90. The Settlement Administrator's reduction or denial of a Claim is final, subject to the following dispute resolution procedures:
- a. The Settlement Administrator shall have 30 days from the Claim Form Deadline to approve or reject Claims.
- b. A request for additional information by sending a Notice of Deficiency shall not be considered a denial for purposes of this Paragraph.
- c. If a Claim is rejected, the Settlement Administrator shall notify the Claimant using the contact information provided in the Claim Form. Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel shall be provided with copies of all such notifications to Claimants.
- d. The Settlement Administrator's determination as to whether to approve, deny, or reduce a Claim shall be final and binding.
- 91. The Settlement Administrator shall provide all information gathered in investigating Claims, including, but not limited to, copies of all correspondence and email and all notes of the Settlement Administrator, the decision reached, and all reasons supporting the decision, if requested by Class Counsel or SHLC's Counsel. Additionally, Class Counsel and SHLC's Counsel shall have the right to inspect the Claim Forms and supporting documentation received by the Settlement Administrator at any time upon reasonable notice.
- 92. No person or entity shall have any claim against SHLC, SHLC's Counsel, Plaintiffs, the Settlement Class, Class Counsel, or the Settlement Administrator based on any eligibility determinations, distributions, or awards made in accordance with this Settlement.
 - 93. No later than 30 days after the Settlement Fund is deposited following the Effective

Date pursuant to Section III, the Settlement Administrator shall distribute the Settlement Class Member Benefits.

94. Cash Payments to Settlement Class Members will be made by electronic payment or by paper check, by sending Settlement Class Members with Valid Claims an email to select from alternative forms of electronic payment or by paper check. Settlement Class Members will have a period of 180 days to select their electronic payment. In the event of any complications arising in connection with the issuance of an electronic payment, the Settlement Administrator shall provide written notice to Class Counsel and SHLC's Counsel. Absent specific instructions from Class Counsel and SHLC's Counsel, the Settlement Administrator shall proceed to resolve the dispute using its best practices and procedures to ensure that the funds are fairly and properly distributed to the person or persons who are entitled to receive them. In the event the Settlement Administrator is unable to distribute funds to the person or persons entitled to receive them due to incorrect or incomplete information provided to the Settlement Administrator, the funds shall become residual funds, and the Settlement Class Member shall forfeit their entitlement right to the funds.

X. Final Approval Order and Final Judgment

95. Plaintiffs shall file their Motion for Final Approval of the Settlement, inclusive of the Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards, no later than 45 days before the original date set for the Final Approval Hearing. At the Final Approval Hearing, the Court will hear argument on Plaintiffs' Motion for Final Approval of the Settlement and Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs and Service Awards. In the Court's discretion, the Court will also hear argument at the Final Approval Hearing from any Settlement Class Members (or their counsel) who object to the Settlement or to the Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards,

provided the objectors submitted timely objections that meet all of the requirements listed in this Agreement.

- 96. At or following the Final Approval Hearing, the Court will determine whether to enter the Final Approval Order and final judgment thereon, and whether to grant the Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards. Such proposed Final Approval Order shall, among other things:
 - a. Determine that the Settlement is fair, adequate and reasonable;
 - b. Finally certify the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only;
 - c. Determine that the Notice Program satisfies Due Process requirements;
- d. Bar and enjoin all Releasing Parties from asserting or otherwise pursuing any of the Released Claims at any time and in any jurisdiction, including during any appeal from the Final Approval Order; and retain jurisdiction over the enforcement of the Court's injunctions;
- e. Release SHLC and the other Released Parties from the Released Claims; and
- f. Reserve the Court's continuing and exclusive jurisdiction over the Parties to this Agreement, including SHLC, Plaintiffs, all Settlement Class Members, and all objectors, to administer, supervise, construe, and enforce this Agreement in accordance with its terms.

XI. Service Awards, Attorneys' Fees, and Costs

- 97. **Service Awards.** The Class Representatives may seek Service Awards of up to \$5,000.00 each, subject to Court approval. The Service Awards shall be payable out of the Settlement Fund.
- 98. **Attorneys' Fees and Costs.** Class Counsel shall apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees of up to 33.33% of the Settlement Fund, plus reimbursement of reasonable costs.

The attorneys' fees and cost awards approved by the Court shall be paid by the Settlement Administrator out of the Settlement Fund by wire transfer to an account designated by Class Counsel within five (5) days after the Settlement Fund is deposited following the Effective Date pursuant to Section III.

99. This Settlement is not contingent on approval of the request for attorneys' fees and costs or Service Awards, and if the Court denies the request or grants amounts less than what was requested, the remaining provisions of the Agreement shall remain in force. The provisions for attorneys' fees and costs and the Service Awards were not negotiated until after all material terms of the Settlement.

XII. <u>Disposition of Residual Funds</u>

100. In the event there are funds remaining in the Settlement Fund 20 days following the 180-day period for Settlement Class Members to select the form of electronic payment, following payment of Settlement Class Member Payments, any residual shall be distributed to an appropriate mutually agreeable *cy pres* recipient approved by the Court. The Parties agree to propose the Consumer Federation of America as the *cy pres* recipient.

XIII. Releases

101. Upon the Effective Date, and in consideration of the settlement relief and other consideration described herein, the Releasing Parties shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, acquitted, relinquished, and completely discharged the Released Parties from any and all Released Claims, including but not limited to any state law or common law claims arising out of or relating to the Data Incident that the Releasing Parties may have or had, such as under California's Consumer Privacy Act, California Civil Code section 1798.100, et seq., or California's Unfair Competition Law, California

Civil Code section 17200 *et seq*. Each Party expressly waives all rights under California Civil Code section 1542, which provides:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

The Releasing Parties also waive the provisions and rights of any law(s) that are comparable in effect to California Civil Code section 1542 (including, without limitation, California Civil Code § 1798.80, et seq., Montana Code Ann. § 28- 1-1602; North Dakota Cent. Code § 9-13-02; and South Dakota Codified Laws § 20-7-11). The Releasing Parties agree that, once this Agreement is executed, they will not, directly or indirectly, individually or in concert with another, maintain, cause to be maintained, or voluntarily assist in maintaining any further demand, action, claim, lawsuit, arbitration, or similar proceeding, in any capacity whatsoever, against any of the Released Parties based on any of the Released Claims.

- 102. Settlement Class members who opt-out of the Settlement prior to the Opt-Out Deadline do not release their claims and will not obtain any benefits, including any Settlement Class Member Benefit, under the Settlement.
- 103. Upon the Effective Date: (a) this Settlement shall be the exclusive remedy for any and all Released Claims of Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Members; and (b) Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Members stipulate to be and shall be permanently barred and enjoined by Court order from initiating, asserting, or prosecuting any Released Claim against the Released Parties,

whether on behalf of Plaintiffs, any Settlement Class Member or others, in any jurisdiction, including in any federal, state, or local court or tribunal.

XIV. Termination of Settlement

- 104. This Agreement shall be subject to and is expressly conditioned on the occurrence of all of the following events:
- a. Court approval of the Settlement consideration set forth in Section V and the Releases set forth in Section XIII of this Agreement;
 - b. The Court has entered the Preliminary Approval Order;
- c. The Court has entered the Final Approval Order, and all objections, if any, are overruled, and all appeals taken from the Final Approval Order are resolved in favor of Final Approval; and
 - d. The Effective Date has occurred.
- 105. If any of the conditions specified in the preceding paragraph are not met, or if the Court otherwise imposes any modification to or condition to approval of the Settlement to which the Parties do not consent, then this Agreement shall be cancelled and terminated.
- 106. SHLC shall have the option to terminate this Agreement if more than 5% of the Settlement Class opt out of the Settlement. SHLC shall notify Class Counsel and the Court of its intent to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this paragraph within 10 days after the end of the Opt-Out Period, or the option to terminate shall be considered waived.
- 107. In the event this Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective, then the Parties shall return to the *status quo ante* in the Action as if the Parties had not entered into this Agreement, and the Parties shall jointly file a status report in the Court seeking to reopen the Action and all papers filed. In such event, the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall have no further

force and effect with respect to the Parties and shall not be used in this Action or in any other action or proceeding for any other purpose, and any order entered by this Court in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be treated as vacated, *nunc pro tunc*.

108. In the event this Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective, all funds in the Settlement Fund shall be promptly returned to SHLC. However, SHLC shall have no right to seek from Plaintiffs, Class Counsel, or the Settlement Administrator the Settlement Administration Costs paid. After payment of any Settlement Administration Costs that have been incurred and are due to be paid from the Settlement Fund, the Settlement Administrator shall return the balance of the Settlement Fund to SHLC within 20 days of termination.

XV. Effect of Termination

- 109. The grounds upon which this Agreement may be terminated are set forth in Section XIV. In the event of a termination, this Agreement shall be considered null and void; all of Plaintiffs', Class Counsel's, SHLC's, SHLC's Counsel's obligations under the Settlement shall cease to be of any force and effect; and the Parties shall return to the *status quo ante* in the Action as if the Parties had not entered into this Agreement. In addition, in the event of such a termination, all of the Parties' respective pre-Settlement rights, claims, and defenses will be retained and preserved.
- 110. In the event the Settlement is terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, any discussions, offers, or negotiations associated with this Settlement shall not be discoverable or offered into evidence or used in the Action or any other action or proceeding for any purpose. In such event, all Parties to the Action shall stand in the same position as if this Agreement had not been negotiated, made, or filed with the Court.

XVI. No Admission of Liability

- This Agreement reflects the Parties' compromise and settlement of disputed claims. This Agreement shall not be construed as or deemed to be evidence of an admission or concession of any point of fact or law. SHLC has denied and continues to deny each of the claims and contentions alleged in the Complaint and in the Related Actions. SHLC specifically denies that a class could or should be certified in the Action or Related Actions. SHLC does not admit any liability or wrongdoing of any kind, by this Agreement or otherwise. SHLC has agreed to enter into this Agreement to avoid the further expense, inconvenience, and distraction of burdensome and protracted litigation, and to be completely free of any further claims that were asserted or could possibly have been asserted in the Action.
- 112. Class Counsel believe the claims asserted in the Action and Related Actions have merit, and they have examined and considered the benefits to be obtained under the proposed Settlement set forth in this Agreement, the risks associated with the continued prosecution of this complex, costly, and time-consuming litigation, and the likelihood of success on the merits of the Action. Class Counsel have investigated the facts and law relevant to the merits of the claims, conducted informal discovery, and conducted independent investigation of the alleged claims. Class Counsel concluded that the proposed Settlement set forth in this Agreement is fair, adequate, reasonable, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class members.
- 113. This Agreement constitutes a compromise and settlement of disputed claims. No action taken by the Parties in connection with the negotiations of this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to be an admission of the truth or falsity of any claims or defenses heretofore made, or an acknowledgment or admission by any party of any fault, liability, or wrongdoing of any kind whatsoever.

- 114. Neither the Settlement, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Settlement (a) is or may be deemed to be, or may be used as, an admission of, or evidence of, the validity of any claim made by the Plaintiffs or Settlement Class Members, or of any wrongdoing or liability of the Released Parties; or (b) is or may be deemed to be, or may be used as, an admission of, or evidence of, any fault or omission of any of the Released Parties, in the Action or in any proceeding in any court, administrative agency, or other tribunal.
- 115. In addition to any other defenses SHLC or the Released Parties may have at law, in equity, or otherwise, to the extent permitted by law, this Agreement may be pleaded as a full and complete defense to and may be used as the basis for an injunction against, any action, suit, or other proceeding that may be instituted, prosecuted, or attempted in breach of this Agreement or the Releases contained herein.

XVII. Miscellaneous Provisions

shall keep confidentiality. To the extent permitted by ethics rules, the Parties and their counsel shall keep confidential all settlement communications, including communications regarding the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement. The Parties will not make any public statement about the settlement that has not been approved by the other side, except as required or authorized by law. Approval of any proposed public statement of the other side will not be unreasonably withheld. The Parties will cooperate with each other regarding public statements about the settlement and may issue a joint statement/press release if they mutually agree to do so. This paragraph shall not be construed to limit or impede the Notice requirements contained in this Settlement Agreement, nor shall this paragraph be construed to prevent Class Counsel or SHLC's Counsel from notifying or explaining that the Action has settled or limit the representations that the Parties or their counsel may make to the Court to assist in the Court's evaluation of the

Settlement, Preliminary Approval, Final Approval, and any objection to the Settlement's terms. SHLC may also provide information about the Settlement Agreement to its attorneys, members, partners, insurers, brokers, agents, and other persons or entities as required by securities laws or other applicable laws and regulations.

- 117. <u>Gender and Plurals</u>. As used in this Agreement, the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, and the singular or plural number, shall each be deemed to include the others whenever the context so indicates.
- 118. <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to and for the benefit of, the successors and assigns of the Releasing Parties and the Released Parties.
- 119. <u>Cooperation of Parties</u>. The Parties to this Agreement agree to cooperate in good faith to prepare and execute all documents, seek Court approval, uphold Court approval, and do all things reasonably necessary to complete and effectuate the Settlement described in this Agreement.
- 120. <u>Obligation to Meet and Confer.</u> Before filing any motion in the Court raising a dispute arising out of or related to this Agreement, the Parties shall consult with each other and certify to the Court that they have met and conferred in an attempt to resolve the dispute.
- 121. <u>Integration and No Reliance</u>. This Agreement constitutes a single, integrated written contract expressing the entire agreement of the Parties relative to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement is executed without reliance on any covenant, agreement, representation, or warranty by any Party or any Party's representative other than those expressly set forth in this Agreement. No covenants, agreements, representations, or warranties of any kind whatsoever have been made by any Party hereto, except as provided for herein.
 - 122. No Conflict Intended. Any inconsistency between the headings used in this

Agreement and the text of the paragraphs of this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of the text.

- 123. <u>Governing Law</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Agreement shall be construed in accordance with, and be governed by, the laws of the state of South Carolina, without regard to the principles thereof regarding choice of law.
- 124. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument, even though all Parties do not sign the same counterparts. Original signatures are not required. Any signature submitted by facsimile or through email of a PDF shall be deemed an original.
- 125. <u>Jurisdiction</u>. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over the implementation, enforcement, and performance of this Agreement, and shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement that cannot be resolved by negotiation and agreement by counsel for the Parties. The Court shall also retain jurisdiction over all questions and/or disputes related to the Notice Program and the Settlement Administrator. As part of the agreement to render services in connection with this Settlement, the Settlement Administrator shall consent to the jurisdiction of the Court for this purpose. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over the enforcement of the Court's injunction barring and enjoining all Releasing Parties from asserting any of the Released Claims and from pursuing any Released Claims against the Released Parties at any time and in any jurisdiction, including during any appeal from the Final Approval Order.
- 126. <u>Notices</u>. All notices provided for herein, shall be sent by email with a hard copy sent by overnight mail to:

If to Plaintiffs or Class Counsel:

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If to SHLC or SHLC's Counsel:

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The notice recipients and addresses designated above may be changed by written notice. Upon the request of any of the Parties, the Parties agree to promptly provide each other with copies of objections, requests for exclusion, or other filings received as a result of the Notice Program.

- 127. <u>Modification and Amendment</u>. This Agreement may not be amended or modified, except by a written instrument signed by Class Counsel and SHLC's Counsel and, if the Settlement has been approved preliminarily by the Court, approved by the Court.
- 128. <u>No Waiver</u>. The waiver by any Party of any breach of this Agreement by another Party shall not be deemed or construed as a waiver of any other breach, whether prior, subsequent, or contemporaneous, of this Agreement.
- 129. <u>Authority</u>. Class Counsel (for the Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class Members), and SHLC's Counsel, represent and warrant that the persons signing this Agreement on their behalf have full power and authority to bind every person, partnership, corporation, or entity included within the definitions of Plaintiffs and SHLC respectively to all terms of this Agreement. Any

person executing this Agreement in a representative capacity represents and warrants that he or she is fully authorized to do so and to bind the Party on whose behalf he or she signs this Agreement to all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

- 130. <u>Agreement Mutually Prepared</u>. Neither Plaintiffs nor SHLC shall be considered to be the drafter of this Agreement or any of its provisions for the purpose of any statute, case law, or rule of interpretation or construction that would or might cause any provision to be construed against the drafter of this Agreement.
- 131. Independent Investigation and Decision to Settle. The Parties understand and acknowledge they: (a) have performed an independent investigation of the allegations of fact and law made in connection with this Action; and (b) that even if they may hereafter discover facts in addition to, or different from, those that they now know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Action as reflected in this Agreement, that will not affect or in any respect limit the binding nature of this Agreement. All Parties recognize and acknowledge they reviewed and analyzed data that they and their experts used to make certain determinations, arguments, and settlement positions. The Parties agree this Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and will not attempt to renegotiate or otherwise void or invalidate or terminate the Settlement irrespective of what any unexamined data later shows. It is the Parties' intention to resolve their disputes in connection with this Action pursuant to the terms of this Agreement now and thus, in furtherance of their intentions, the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the discovery of any additional facts or law, or changes in law, and this Agreement shall not be subject to rescission or modification by reason of any changes or differences in facts or law, subsequently occurring or otherwise.
 - 132. Receipt of Advice of Counsel. Each Party acknowledges, agrees, and specifically

warrants that he, she, or it has fully read this Agreement and the Releases contained herein, received independent legal advice with respect to the advisability of entering into this Agreement and the Releases, and the legal effects of this Agreement and the Releases, and fully understands the effect of this Agreement and the Releases.

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